

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A pure titanium ~~building~~ material formed of pure titanium having comprising an Fe content of 0.08% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.02% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.02% by mass or below.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The pure titanium ~~building~~ material according to claim 1 having comprising a surface oxide film of 170 Å or below ~~below~~ in thickness.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (New): The pure titanium material according to claim 1, wherein said pure titanium comprises an Fe content of 0.06% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.015% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.015% by mass or below.

Claim 5 (New): The pure titanium material according to claim 1, wherein said pure titanium comprises an Fe content of 0.05% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.01% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.01% by mass or below.

Claim 6 (New): A method of manufacturing a pure titanium material with a surface oxide layer, comprising treating a pure titanium material comprising an Fe content of 0.08% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.02% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.02% by mass or below with a treatment selected from the group consisting of pickling, heating, and a combination thereof.

Claim 7 (New): The method of claim 6, which comprises pickling and heating.

Claim 8 (New): The method of claim 7, which comprises pickling followed by heating.

Claim 9 (New): The method of claim 7, which comprises heating followed by pickling.

Claim 10 (New): The method of claim 6, which comprises heating and wherein the heating is performed at a temperature X (°C) of from 130 to 280 °C for a heating time T (min) so as to meet a condition expressed by: $T \geq 239408 \times X^{-2.3237}$.

Claim 11 (New): The method according to claim 6, wherein the surface oxide film is 170 Å or below in thickness.

Claim 12 (New): The method according to claim 6, wherein said pure titanium material comprises an Fe content of 0.06% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.015% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.015% by mass or below.

Claim 13 (New): The method according to claim 6, wherein said pure titanium material comprises an Fe content of 0.05% by mass or below, a Nb content of 0.01% by mass or below, and a Co content of 0.01% by mass or below.

Claim 14 (New): The method according to claim 6, wherein the treatment comprises heating performed in a vacuum or without a vacuum.

Claim 15 (New): The method according to claim 6, when the treatment comprises heating at a temperature of from 250 to 280 °C for up to 30 min.

Claim 16 (New): The method according to claim 15, wherein said heating is for up to 10 min.

Claim 17 (New): An external wall of a building comprising the pure titanium material according to claim 1.

Claim 18 (New): A reinforcing member of a building comprising the pure titanium material according to claim 1.